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Via ECFS
Marlene H. Dortch, Secretary
Federal Communications Commission
445 12th Street, S.W.
Washington, D.C. 20554

**Re: In the Matter of Petition of USTelecom for Forbearance Pursuant to
47 U.S.C. Section 160(c); WC Docket No. 18-141; Category 1**

Dear FCC,

Living in rural America does not always give us choices. Many times we are stuck with one provider at a high price. Many areas do not have access to broadband in our County and the major providers like Century Link and AT&T are not willing to provide the service.

It seems that every time you receive a phone bill, something has changed and the cost is going up. Competition has always been the backbone of America and now companies are merging and we no longer see competition and these companies get away with charging whatever they want.

It is so important that rural areas have the same benefits as the urban areas of the country. So, please NO price hikes, keep competition and see that rural America has broadband.

Thank you

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